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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT
PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. §§1.97 AND 1.98

Dear Sir:

A. (1) Applicant hereby discloses the following United States Patent Document pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.98:

	<u>Publication No.</u>	<u>Publication Date</u>	<u>Inventor</u>
1.	4,893,709	January 16, 1990	Schroeder

B. Copies of the patents and literature are included herewith pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.98.

C. Explanation of Relevance pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.98.

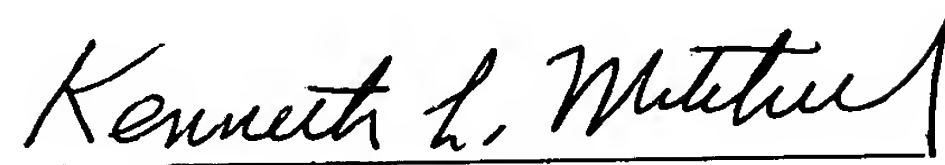
1. United States Patent No. 4,893,709 issued January 16, 1990 to

Schroeder discloses a back-flexing article carrying chain.

No fee is believed due as this information disclosure statement is being timely filed. Please charge deposit account 23-3060 if any fee deficiency exists.

Respectfully submitted,

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